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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Stabilising The Middle East

THE Bagdad Pact Ministerial Council has ended its current London meeting with a call to the United Nations to help combat the threat of indirect aggression in the Middle East. The appeal will be widely endorsed but it is a pity that the ministers did not spell out the action necessary.

Indirect aggression is difficult to guard against. International treaties and mutual defence pacts can provide some protection. Foreign troops can stabilise the position only as long as they remain in the threatened country, but Arabs tend to despise rulers who call in the West whenever trouble brews.

What can the UN do? Here are three suggestions made by the magazine "Life". First, a strong Police Force of at least 15,000 men is needed to patrol borders and report inflammatory broadcasts. Second, the troublesome refugee problem has to be solved by making Israel take at least 100,000. The rest have to be compensated. Third, a new over-all oil treaty is needed, fair to owners, producers, customers, and above all the people of the area—all Arabs have a legitimate claim on some part of this huge regional resource.

Finally the magazine urges that U.S. and Russia contribute \$150 million to a capital fund for a Middle East Development Agency with similar nations giving proportionate sums. These are sensible, imaginative proposals. Here is something for the West and the United Nations organisation to think about.

Pre-trials

ALL China Mail readers are familiar with proceedings called "preliminary hearings" wherein the case against the accused is heard before the Court decides whether or not he should be sent for trial. These are, of course, open to the Press. But a legal committee recently appointed in London has recommended that newspapers should not report them. London newspapers object. The Times calls it "muzzling".

But this newspaper heartily endorses the idea and adds the suggestion that the name of the accused should not be disclosed until his formal trial in court begins. Essentially the preliminary hearing decides whether there is sufficient evidence to justify a full trial. If not the accused is acquitted. The trouble is that in the past a decision to send a man for trial has been regarded by some as tantamount to being found guilty. Public ignorance may be blamed, but the accused deserves protection.

There is another factor: at preliminary hearings most of the evidence is submitted at the full trial is heard. The prospective jury may read all this in the newspapers. To be told at the end of it that there is sufficient evidence to send a man for trial not only weighs unfairly and heavily against the accused but psychologically must to some extent sway those who are subsequently chosen to be jurors. If the London committee's findings are adopted and newspapers are unable to report preliminary hearings, it is to be hoped that similar action will be taken in Hongkong. The accused, under the system of British justice, is innocent until he is proved guilty and is entitled to full rights and all reasonable safeguards until a decision is made on his case.

BRITAIN TO RECOGNISE IRAQ

America May Follow In Few Days Bagdad Pact Powers To Resume Relations

London, July 30.

Britain and America may announce recognition of the new Iraqi revolutionary regime within the next week, following tonight's recognition by the Bagdad Pact powers.

Moscow Says:

NEW AGGRESSION BEING PLOTTED IN MIDDLE EAST

By VINCENT BUIST

Moscow, July 30.

Russia tonight promised that "peace loving peoples" will come to the aid of any Arab country which falls victim to new acts of aggression "being plotted" by the Bagdad Pact powers.

At the same time, the Soviet Government pledged every effort to convene a summit conference aimed at a peaceful solution to the Middle-East crisis.

A statement issued here by Tass, the official Soviet news agency, again charged the United States and Britain with "policy of evasion and delay" over the summit negotiations.

Warning To Persia?

All responsibilities for further Middle East "aggression"—and its "consequences"—would fall on the governments of the United States and Britain and also member countries of the Bagdad Pact, the statement declared.

Timed to coincide with the end of the Bagdad Pact meeting in London, the Russian statement seemed to imply a warning to some of the Bagdad Pact members, such as Persia, that the wave of nationalism which overthrew the former Iraqi regime might also sweep neighbouring countries.

References in the statement to Western military concentrations in the Middle East struck Western observers in Moscow as a slight sharpening of Russia's Middle East policy.

In previous statements about the Arab situation, Moscow has limited itself to the declaration that it could not remain indifferent to Western moves in the area which threatened peace.

In a general survey of the British and American armed build-up in the Middle East, tonight's statement mentioned for the first time the "transfer of powerful military units" in Persia.

The Tass statement followed a strong outburst in today's Soviet press condemning the "treachery" of the West in trying to dodge a summit meeting. It carried no reference to Soviet military manoeuvres which began two weeks ago on the borders of Turkey and Persia.

The Bagdad Pact conference in London, it declared, was "nothing but an assembly of plotters hatching new acts of aggression against these Arab countries which recently entered upon the road of independent development and, above all, against the United Arab Republic and the Republic of Iraq."—Reuters.

Ridiculous

Washington, July 30. The White House spokesman today dismissed as "ridiculous" a Soviet charge that Bagdad Pact countries working in collusion with Israel constituted a threat to the Middle East. —Reuters.

CLASH ON SYRIAN BORDER

Damascus, July 30.

Syrian and Turkish troops exchanged fire for fifteen minutes near the Bab El-Awa border post today, a Syrian military spokesman said.

He said that an hour after the clash Turkish soldiers started taking up positions on the hills near the border.

The spokesman said the clash occurred just after noon when a Turkish military jeep carrying soldiers penetrated fifty yards into Syrian territory.

The Syrian border guard ordered the jeep to halt but it did not do so. The guards opened fire and after a 15 minute exchange the Turkish unit was forced to withdraw. —Reuters.

Oil Tank In Bagdad Explodes

Bagdad, July 30.

Two violent explosions shook Bagdad this afternoon after fire broke out in a tank at a fuel depot in the eastern part of the city.

Flames shot more than 150 feet into the air, and a heavy pall of black smoke hung across the sky.

Thousands of Iraqis, some shouting "imperialist sabotage," blocked streets to fire brigades trying to reach the fire.

The cause of the accident was thought to be accidental.

Two Taken

Eight Britons were at the old plant when the explosion occurred. Iraqi armoured cars took two of them out through the seething throng of people surrounding the blaze. The fate of the other six was not immediately known.

The tank was one of a group of 14 belonging to the Khashan Oil Company, a subsidiary of British Petroleum.

Cable reports from Washington and a number of European capitals give this picture of forthcoming diplomatic contacts between the West and Bagdad:

KARACHI: Pakistan, Iran and Turkey formally recognized Iraq's revolutionary Government tonight. Simultaneous announcements in Karachi, Ankara and Teheran gave the go-ahead for resumption of relations with the new regime.

LONDON: Usually well informed sources said Britain is expected to recognize Iraq within the next 48 hours. Decision was believed to have been made at the Bagdad Pact Ministerial Council meeting earlier this week.

WASHINGTON: Well-informed sources said the United States would "very likely" recognize the new Iraqi regime within the next week. It will however delay recognition for a few days to indicate displeasure over the assassination of King Faisal, Nuri Said and Abdul Illah.

BONN: West Germany recognized the new Iraqi Government today.

BRUSSELS: Belgium intends to recognize the new Iraqi Government, an official statement said.

OSLO: Norway's Foreign Department has recommended the Government to recognize the Iraqi Government. The Cabinet will be asked to approve the recommendation on Friday.

ROME: Italy will probably recognize the new Iraqi Republic when Signor Fanfani returns from Washington and London.

TOKYO: Japan is expected to recognize the new Iraqi regime this week.

MONGOLIA: Mongolia's People's Republic has joined other Communist bloc nations in recognizing the new Iraqi Republic.

Murphy's Mission

AMMAN: Presidential envoy Robert Murphy, who arrived today, will discuss with King Hussein and other Jordanian leaders the question of American recognition of the new Iraqi government, which is believed to be imminent, informed circles said.

For several days, it has been rumoured that the United States and Britain were preparing to extend official recognition to the Iraqi government.

The prospect has caused considerable uneasiness here, and led to King Hussein's invitation to Murphy to visit Amman.

Despite the optimism expressed by Murphy upon his arrival today, observers thought it doubtful if he would succeed in calming the concern felt here over the apparent trend of State Department policy, in relation to Pan-Arab nationalism.

In a meeting with Murphy tonight, King Hussein and Prime Minister Samir Rifai are expected to stress that the change in American policy may involve risks for Jordan, surrounded by hostile neighbours and with pro-Nasser propaganda working within the country itself.

It was believed that Jordan would also ask for additional American military aid, in the form of war supplies.

Talks With Israel

JERUSALEM: Mr Murphy is to have talks with the Israeli Premier, Mr David Ben Gurion, and Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr Golda Meir, tomorrow, it was disclosed today.

Murphy's visit to Israel tomorrow was announced suddenly this evening.

Though the agenda for tomorrow's talks has not been announced, it is thought that the recent Israeli note to the State Department, stressing the necessity of checking Nazism will be studied.—All agencies.

NEW TALK OF SNAP AUTUMN ELECTION

London, July 30. Some members of Parliament were speculating anew tonight about a possible "snap" election in the Autumn.

Political quarters said this arose because Mr R. A. Butler's announcement that Parliament, which adjourns on Friday for the recess, will prorogue immediately it returns on October 23.

The next session of Parliament will begin five days later on October 28.

Docks Cleared

Election-minded M.P.s were saying tonight that all the business of this session will be completed by Friday.

This would leave the "docks cleared" for an early election should a summit meeting prove a success and the international outlook improve.

According to political quarters, if there were an election, it would probably be in October or early November.

Bad weather would not matter as it was traditionally believed to favour the Conservatives.

Stocks Higher

Everything, however, would depend on the successful outcome of a summit meeting, in the view of these quarters.

Mr Harold Macmillan's stock in the country has risen considerably in recent weeks, according to public opinion polls.

A slump in the administration's popularity earlier this year and a steady drift to the Opposition Labour and Liberal parties appears from these polls to have been checked.—Reuters.

Plea To End Cyprus Violence By Greek PM

Athens, July 30.

The Greek Prime Minister tonight appealed to Greek Cypriots to help restoring peace and order in Cyprus.

The Premier, Mr Constantine Karamanlis was answering a request from the British Government.

Earlier Mr Harold Macmillan, asked the Prime Ministers of Turkey and Greece to join him in appealing for the cessation of violence in Cyprus.

An Athens report said Archbishop Makarios asked the British Government to send a parliamentary commission to Cyprus to investigate recent communal disturbances and establish Turkish Cypriot responsibility for starting them.—Reuters.

CHENNAULT BURIED

Washington, July 30. Lieutenant-General Claire Chennault, who led the "Flying Tigers" against the Japanese during the Second World War, was buried in Arlington National Cemetery today.

A U.S. Air Force squad fired three volleys over the grave as Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the President of Nationalist China, stood with bowed head next to the widow of the flyer.

He died of cancer at the age of 67 on Sunday.

The Air Force Chief of Chaplains said at the end of his graveside service: "The flight of another titan is over." —Reuters.

Ex-Presidents

Washington, July 30. The House voted today to grant \$25,000-a-year pensions to former Presidents Harry S. Truman and Herbert C. Hoover and all future ex-Presidents.—U.P.I.

HK JUDGE GRABS INTRUDER



Judge A. A. Huggins of the Kowloon District Court, who is staying at the European Y.M.C.A. Salisbury Road, woke up at about 3.15 a.m. this morning and found a man in his room.

The District Judge tackled the intruder, who turned out to be a European soldier. During the struggle, Mr Huggins received slight injuries to his forehead and arm.

With the aid of other persons in the building, Mr Huggins over-powered the soldier, who is now being detained by the Police for enquiries. Mr Huggins later went to Kowloon Hospital, where his injuries were treated.

BODYGUARDS FOR HUSSEIN'S BROTHER

London, July 30.

Armed detectives were acting as a bodyguard today to Prince Hassan of Jordan, 11-year-old brother of King Hussein.

Prince Hassan began his holidays in London from Summerfield School, Hastings, where he has been a pupil for two years.

When he left his Mayfair Hotel for a sightseeing tour of London, one of the detectives— from Scotland Yard's Special Branch—was at his side. Another kept guard at the Prince's hotel.

A Scotland Yard spokesman said the guard had been ordered by Commander Evan Jones, head of the Special Branch.—Reuters.

Election Of New Lebanon President 'Assured'

By ALEX VALENTINE

Beirut, July 30.

General Fuad Chehab, Lebanese Army chief of staff, tonight seemed assured of election as the next Lebanese President by at least a two-thirds majority at a session of the Lebanese parliament tomorrow.

His election, regarded as the key to a solution of the 12-week insurrection which sparked the despatch of thousands of American troops here, seemed virtually assured after the intervention of the outgoing President Camille Chamoun.

President Chamoun saw a group of pro-Government deputies who had been reluctant to back the general and, it was reported, he threatened to resign at once and leave the country unless they changed their minds. They did.

No Boycott

At the same time, Opposition deputies emerged from a meeting with the Beirut rebel leader Saeb Salam in the barricaded Moslem quarter, determined not to boycott tomorrow's session, as earlier threatened, and in the main to vote for General Chehab.

Opposition sources said that not only had it been decided to attend tomorrow's meeting, but it had also been agreed that the Opposition would support General Chehab.

On an unofficial count in political circles here tonight General Chehab seemed to be assured of at least 40 to 45 of the 66 Parliamentary votes, having the backing of a broad front of Government, Opposition and "neutralist" deputies.

Only two of the original ring of candidates were left, and neither was likely to be acceptable to the Opposition.

Three Problems

Political observers said though the election of a new President was the key to ending the 12-week old insurrection, it would leave three problems to be answered.

★ Whether the militant Opposition would maintain their demand for the immediate resignation of President Chamoun, who has declared he will stay in office till the President-elect formally takes over on September 24.

★ Evacuation of American troops, whose presence here has at times threatened unity within the Government ranks, and whose early withdrawal will certainly constitute a continuing opposition demand.

★ The attitude of the armed insurgents towards the new President. They earlier threatened not to recognize any President elected without the Mr Chamoun was still in office. It was hoped General Chehab would command sufficient respect and authority to deal with them.—Reuters.

BOAC LOSES £3m

London, July 30.

BOAC sustained an overall loss of almost £3 million this year despite the highest gross revenue in its history, the Corporation's annual report said today.

Gross revenue was £63,020,375.

The United States recession and delays in the delivery of the Bristol Britannia helped to bring last year's operating profits down to £120,122, but this was turned into an overall deficit of £2,839,330 because of losses by associated companies and interest payments on capital.

Sir Gerard D'Erlanger, BOAC Chairman, explained that delays in delivery of Britannia turbo-prop aircrafts left them to operate with outmoded aircraft.

Subsidy Needed

He also mentioned that BOAC had spent several million pounds on Britannia development flights.

Urging a subsidy to meet such expenses, he said: "It has fallen to the Corporation since the war to eliminate the teething troubles of successive types of long distance British transport aircraft."

Although critical of the Britannia delivery delays, Sir Gerard praised the aircraft's operational abilities.

He said effects of the North American business recession persisted "with increasing severity" until the end of the financial year. He added that there would be no trans-Pacific or trans-Polar services in the near future.—U.P.I. Reuters.

Rush Hour Trolley Collision

New York, July 30.

A city subway trolley jammed with homeward-bound commuters smashed into a stalled and crowded trolley today rounding a curve at the height of the evening rush hour.

Newark hospitals reported an estimated 45 injured. Police said there were 20 injured.

The jolt spilled passengers into the aisles and knocked down straphangers.

There was some "hysteria" among women passengers, police said. But there was no panic.—U.P.I.

Final Divorce

Hollywood, July 30.

Actress Lana Turner today received her final divorce from Lex Barker, former film "Tarzan."

She had been given an interlocutory decree in July, 1957, on her testimony that Barker tried to "force feed" her when she did not want breakfast and that he struck her in the face.—Reuters.

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Enraged Elephants Terrorise City

Mexico, July 30.
Five enraged elephants went on a four-hour rampage through the streets of Mexico City today killing one man and spreading panic and destruction.

The elephants, destined for a zoo here, escaped from their trainers at the railway station and stampeded through the streets.

Sixty-year-old Carlos Cruz, fearful for his wife's safety, grabbed the tail of one of the elephants, named Judy. The elephant seized him in her trunk, dashed him to the pavement and crushed him to death before his wife's eyes.

A trainer managed to quieten four of the elephants, but Judy, apparently infuriated by the crowd, continued the stampede, damaging cars and buildings.

Finally, a police officer killed Judy with eight shots from an automatic pistol. The other elephants were taken to the zoo.

A trainer said later the elephants were angered by an engine whistle at the station. Three lions in the same shipment from Miami Zoo, Florida, also broke out of their cages but were recaptured without incident.—Reuter.

Scotland Bids For Tourist Dollars

Scrabster, July 30.
The first American tourists ever to land in this remote fishing village were piped ashore early today.

The eight Americans, led by Mr. Fullerton Miller, of Columbus, Ohio, a paper manufacturer, were taking part in a scheme to popularise this part of the extreme northern tip of Scotland. Mr. Miller owns a castle near here.

They were brought ashore by lifeboat from the 18,000-ton Norwegian-American liner, Osloford, and met by the local member of Parliament, Sir David Robertson, and a pipe band.

Nearby attractions include the Queen Mother's 17th century castle at Mey and the experimental atomic reactor at Dounreay.—China Mail Special.

N.Y. Favourite Geneva In The Running

Paris, July 30.
Day-long efforts to agree on a concerted approach to a summit conference among the Western allies were made in Paris today.

After two inconclusive sessions of the 15-nation permanent council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation called another meeting for tomorrow morning to continue the discussions.

Sources close to NATO said a determined effort was being made to harmonise the views of the United States and Britain on one hand and France on the other, but so far France had not budged from her view that a meeting of the Heads of Government must be outside the United Nations Security Council in a "serene" atmosphere if it was to have a chance of success.

No decision had yet been reached on what site to suggest for a summit meeting in the replies due to be sent shortly to the Soviet Prime Minister, Mr. Nikita Khrushchev.

Soviet Scientist Calls For A 36-Month Year

Moscow, July 30.
Soviet scientists today renewed pleas for a one-year extension of the International Geophysical Year, due to end on December 31 after 24 months.

The proposal was renewed by Ivan Bardin, Chairman of the Soviet International Geophysical Year (I.G.Y.) Committee who addressed scientists from 65 countries at the opening here of the fifth General Assembly of the special International Committee for I.G.Y. arrangements.

Common Goal

Bardin said he was confident a 12-month extension of I.G.Y. would not involve very heavy additional costs or effort, Tass News Agency reported.

The meeting was chaired by Sidney Chapman of Britain, who said the conference brought together scientists from different continents "united by the common goal of penetrating the secrets of nature for the benefit of humanity."

Chairman Yuri Makeyev of the Soviet said that under the I.G.Y. a "major breakthrough" had been achieved, which may help such problems as weather and disaster forecasts, preventing and ensuring air and space travel safety.—France-Press.

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British Tobacco Firm Admits Cancer Causes, Seeks Cleaner Smoke

Toronto, July 30.
A British cigarette manufacturer said here his company's research division is now proceeding on the basis that a link between smoking and lung cancer "has been established beyond all reasonable doubt."

Mr. Patrick O'Neill-Dunne, world technical director of Rothmans of Pall Mall, said in a statement issued here yesterday: "The enormous weight of statistical evidence linking lung cancer with heavy smoking can no longer be refuted."

Mr. O'Neill-Dunne issued the statement here after attending the seventh international cancer congress in London.

A spokesman said the statement was issued as a summation of research by the company and the congress.

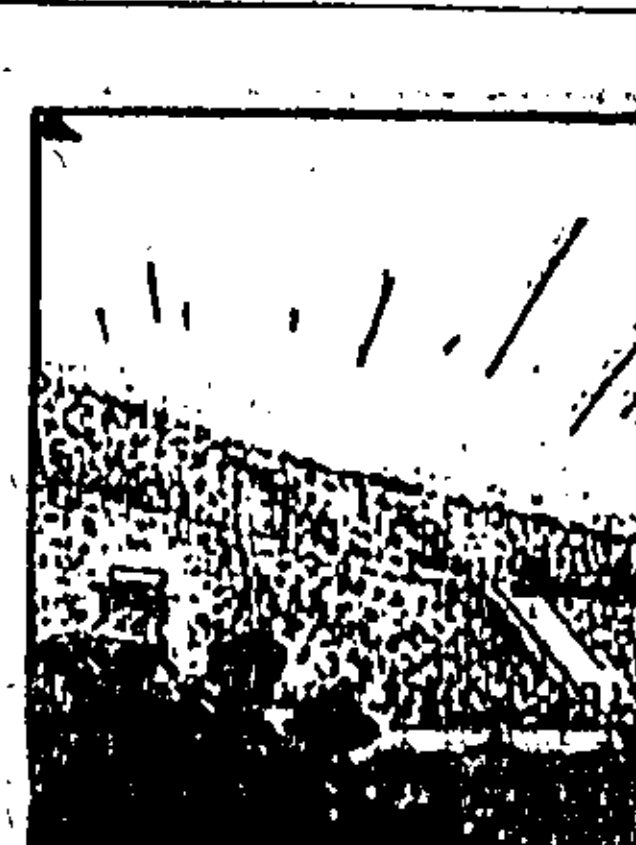
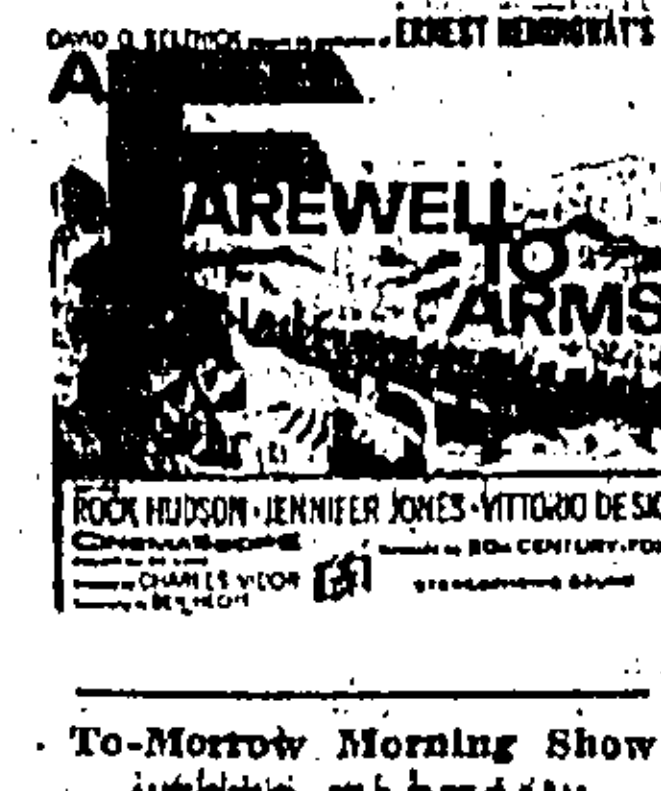
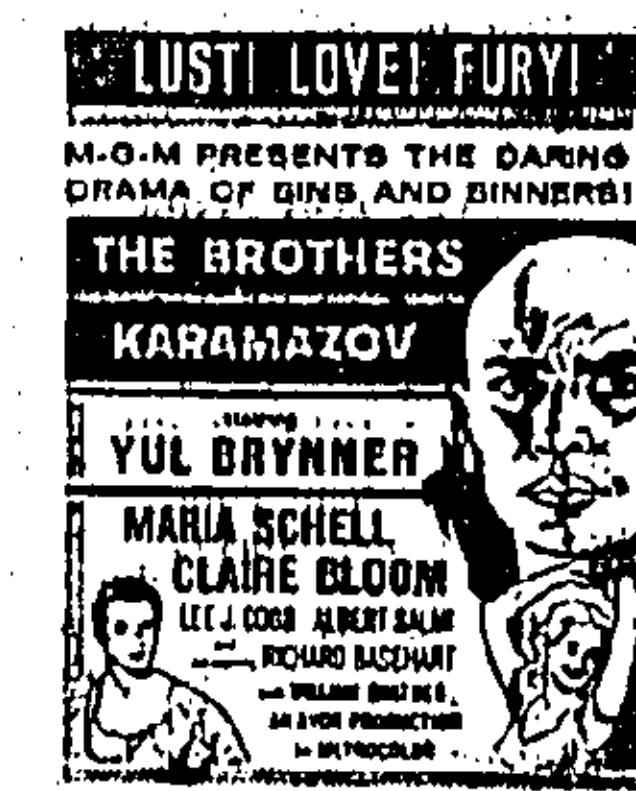
Mr. O'Neill-Dunne added that there was increasing scientific belief that if the tar intake from a single cigarette were reduced to 18 milligrams, there would be "a significant reduction" in the risk of lung cancer.

"Most of the world's cigarettes today," he said, "are in the vicinity of 30 milligrams and there are many which exceed 40 milligrams."—China Mail Special.

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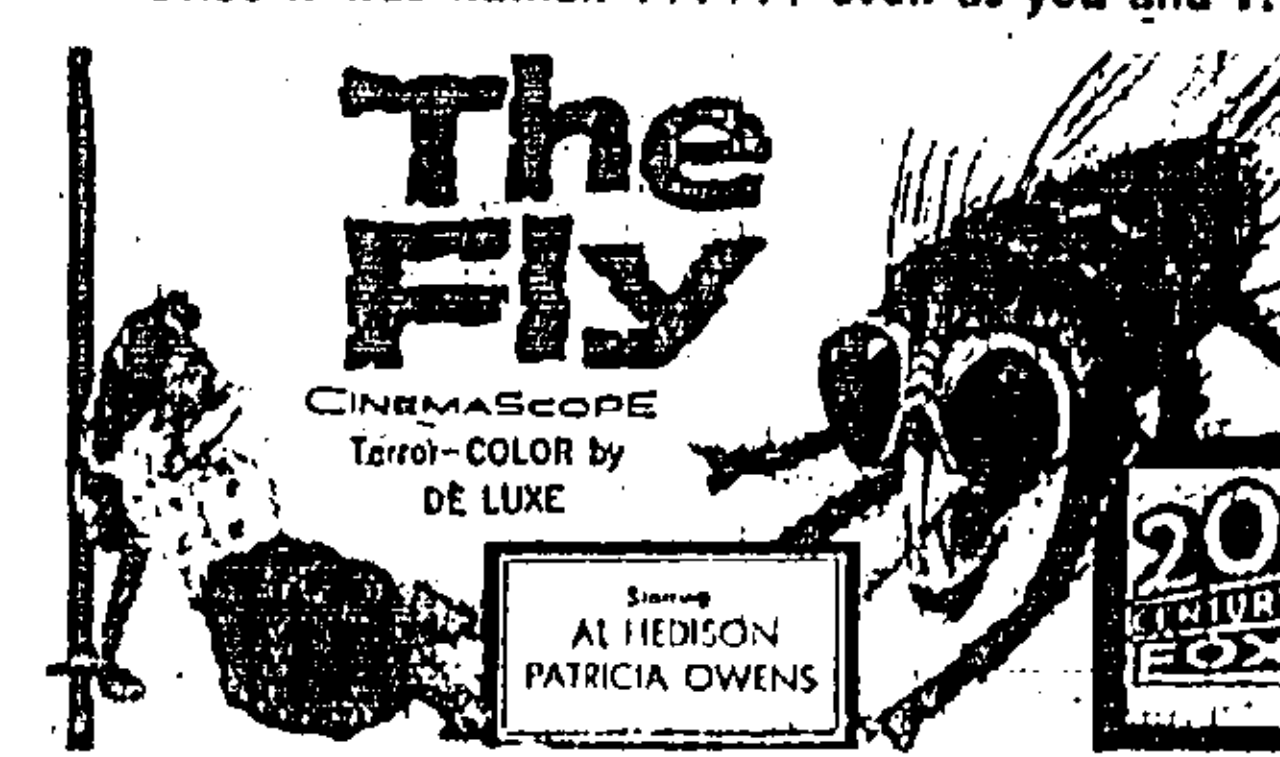
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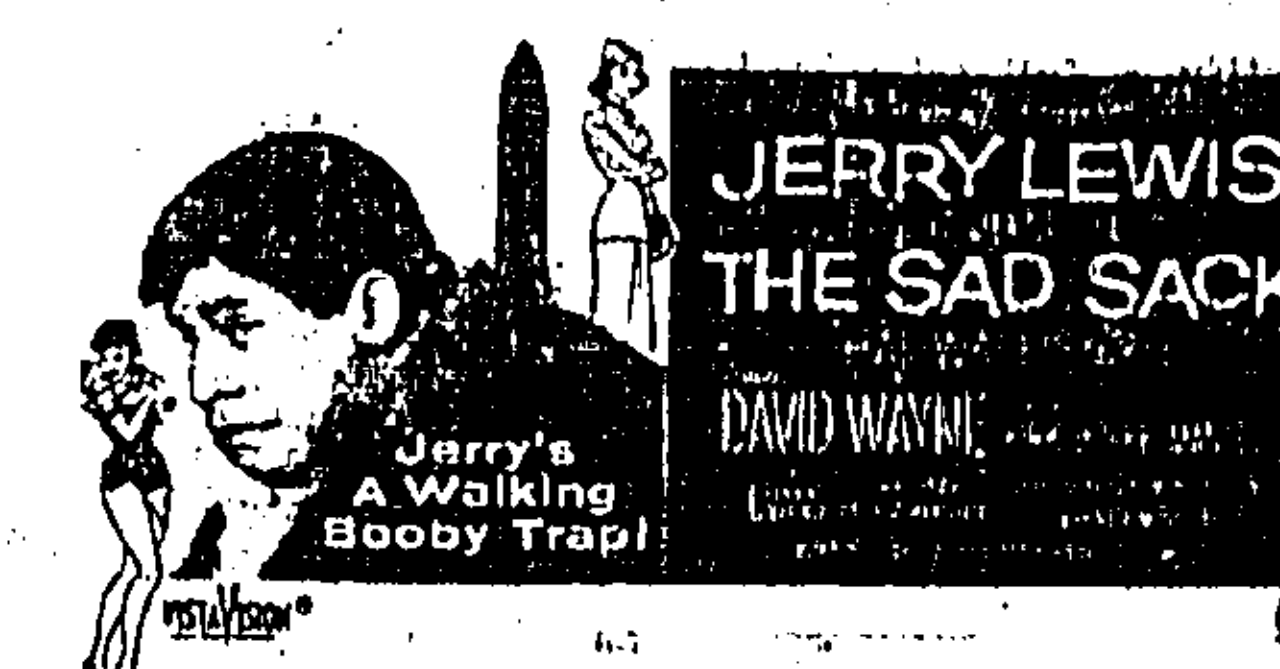


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THE GREAT BATTLE-WAGONS OF THE PAST HAVE GONE Economy Axe Falls On R.N.

Anti-Submarine Replacements For Navy

By JOSEPH W. CRIGG

London, July 30.

Economy-minded Britain is scrapping or selling between one-third and one-half of her fleet.

A total of 85 ships of the reserve fleet are falling under the economy axe. Only 50 are being replaced.

The replacements are largely small anti-submarine craft—fast destroyers, frigates and patrol boats designed to meet the threat of Russia's huge underwater fleet.

The great battle-wagons of the past have all gone.

Headquarters

Last of these was the 44,500-ton Vanguard, completed in 1946 and held in reserve at Portsmouth since 1956. The Government has just disclosed that this ship—which has never fired at an enemy—is to be used as a training and headquarters vessel until she is ready to be scrapped.

The other four battle-ships of her class—the King George Fifth, Duke of York, Anson and Howe—have all been scrapped. Last of these was the Howe which went to the junkyard only recently.

Other ships now slated for the same fate, unless some Latin American or Commonwealth nation buys them, include the cruisers Liverpool, Glasgow, Belfast, Ceylon and Dido—all built more than 14 years ago—the destroyers Zambesi, Zephyr, Zebra, Savage, Comus, Norman and Obdurate, 33 frigates, 10 minesweepers and 51 patrol boats.

To replace these 85 vessels the Government has promised dur-

ing the next two years two aircraft carriers, two cruisers, 13 destroyers, 16 minesweepers and 17 miscellaneous craft—a total of 50 ships.

The active fleet today contains not a single battleship. It consists of the aircraft carriers Eagle, Victorious, Centaur and Albion, the cruisers Newfoundland, Ceylon, Birmingham, Sheffield, Bermuda and Gambia, 24 destroyers, 30 frigates, 30 submarines, 28 minesweepers and 14 other vessels.

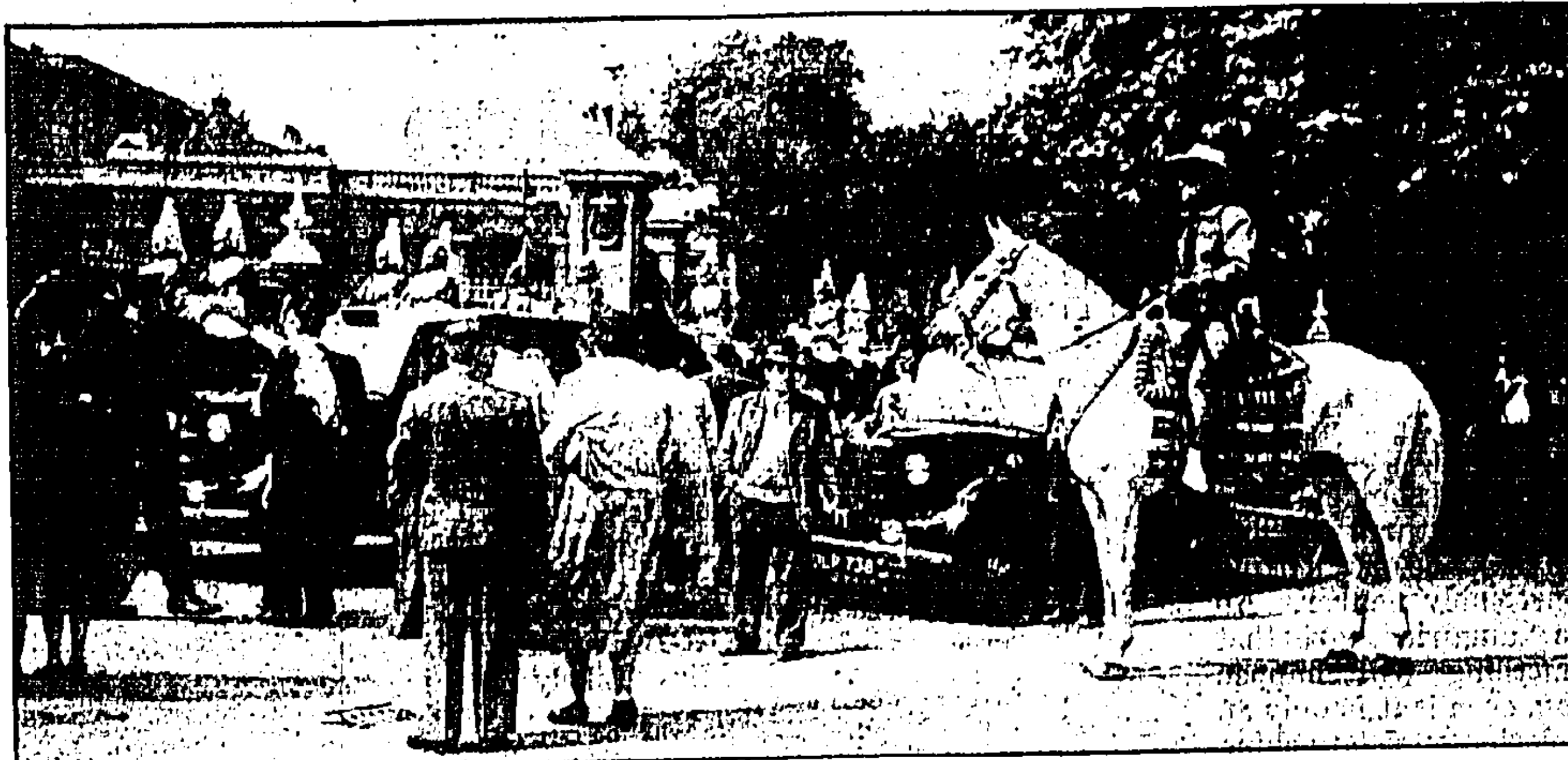
Manpower

There also is a reserve fleet of five aircraft carriers, eight cruisers, 30 destroyers, 54 frigates, 10 submarines, 156 minesweepers and a large number of other smaller vessels.

The economy axe is falling not only on the ships but on the Navy's manpower. This is being cut back from its present strength of 112,000 men now to 99,000 men by mid-1959 and 88,000 men by 1962.

Even the Navy's admirals are being axed. Since the beginning of the year 14 have been retired bringing the total down from a round 100 to 86. —U.P.I.

THE LONE RANGER IN LONDON



THE Lone Ranger—real name Chayton Moore, who arrived in London last week to start a four-week tour—pictured outside Buckingham Palace, watching the Horse Guards as they go on parade at the Horse Guards Parade.

The Lone Ranger was riding a substitute horse, as he could not bring "Silver" with him. During his stay in London, he will appear on Children's Television on BBC and in other TV and radio programmes. —Keystone.

Atomic Weapons Plebiscites Banned In West Germany

Karlsruhe, July 30.

The West German Federal constitutional court today banned plebiscites planned in Socialist-controlled states on whether the West German forces should receive atomic weapons.

The court recalled that the Socialists (the main federal opposition) had failed in the Federal Parliament to block a decision to provide the forces with tactical nuclear arms, and added:

OPPOSITION

"The opposition hopes by means of plebiscites to achieve such heavy political pressure that the Federal Government is forced to reverse its decisions."

The court held that projected plebiscites in the Socialist-controlled city states of Hamburg and Bremen were an attempt to interfere in the "exclusive sphere" of the Federal authorities and were unconstitutional. The court also held that the state of Hesse must stop similar plebiscites planned in local communities there. —Reuter.

NEUTRALISATION OF JORDAN TO STABILISE MID-EAST?

United Nations, July 30.

Among the plans being studied at United Nations headquarters for the stabilisation of the Middle East is one for the neutralisation of Jordan, reliable sources said here tonight.

Talks are being held on this subject between United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld, Harold Bealey of the British delegation, and James Wadsworth, American deputy representative at the United Nations.

This neutralisation, under the auspices of the United Nations, would permit the withdrawal of British troops from Jordan by providing guarantees that Jordan would not be absorbed into the "Nasser Empire" although strategically it separates Egypt and Syria, now joined together in the United Arab Republic.

Advantage

Jordan's neutralisation would have the additional advantage of assuring Israel's security along its longest frontier.

Since the withdrawal of British troops in Jordan is closely linked with the problem of evacuating the American Marines in the Lebanon, both for political reasons and because of supply problems, the stages of the two operations will probably be worked out together.

Politically the question of neutralising Jordan is also extremely complex. It has been suggested that Jordan might be placed under United Nations Trusteeship, or that its frontiers might be guaranteed under U.N. auspices. These problems are all under study here, in line with diplomatic negotiations on the summit meeting on the Middle East. —France-Press.

REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

Brisbane, July 30. A Royal Australian Air Force officer who flew to New Britain to investigate reports of a crashed warplane, found three American aircraft and the remains of four airmen within a radius of 15 miles.

His report, released by RAAF officials today, said the planes were American planes lost during the war against the Japanese.

The officer, Wing Commander Keith Rundle, brought back the remains of the four airmen in miniature coffins made by the natives.

All planes had crashed into heavy jungle on Gazelle Peninsula between 30 and 40 miles from Rabaul. —China Mail Special.

Another Protest

Salford, July 30. Salford City Council today decided to write to the Prime Minister and the President of the Board of Trade protesting about "lack of action" to protect the cotton industry against imports of cheap foreign textiles. Their letter would urge immediate action "to prevent large scale depression and unemployment in the industry." —Reuter.

Swift Approval

Washington, July 30. The Senate gave its swift and unanimous approval tonight to a record \$40,032,740,000 peace-time defence money bill carrying \$1,245,778,000 more than President Eisenhower requested. —U.P.I.

SPACE TRAVEL AND MAN

Moscow, July 30. Man is adaptable enough to get used to changes in gravity in space travel, a leading Soviet psychiatrist said in today's Sovetskaya Aviatika.

Recent experiments have shown this can be done with training in control of body movement by jump-

ing on a trampoline and by delayed parachute jumps, Professor Konstantin Platonov wrote, quoted by the Soviet news agency Tass.

Sub-surface swimming is one of the methods of training for operations in a state of weightlessness, he said.

MINeworkers SUBMIT NEW CLAIMS

London, July 30.

Leaders of the National Union of Mineworkers today submitted new wage claims for 700,000 members.

It is estimated the claim involves £30 million a year, equal to three shillings a ton on coal prices.

The Union leaders are demanding a 15 shillings a week increase for 330,000 day-wage miners, and 21 shillings for 16,000 craftsmen, and proportionate increases for piecework miners and clerical staff.

The National Coal Board today promised the claims would be put before the full board.

The miners' earlier claim for a ten shillings increase was recently rejected by an arbitration tribunal. —Reuter.

MARGARET FLIES EAST

Toronto, July 30.

Princess Margaret landed at Malton airport tonight to begin the eastern phase of her Canadian tour.

A crowd of more than 10,000 was at the airport to welcome the Princess, who was greeted by Ontario Lieutenant-Governor J. Keith Mackay and Premier Leslie Frost. She was also accompanied by George Hees, Federal Minister of Transport. —U.P.I.

Beginning To Feel The Pinch

London, July 31.

British exports to some important sterling markets are now beginning to fall and exporters will certainly need to be "swift and adaptable" in discerning and seizing export opportunities.

This was stated today in a Government monthly economic review "Bulletin for Industry."

REDUCING

The review went on: "There are signs that some primary producing countries are now reducing imports because of the decline in their real incomes and reserves, and this tendency seems likely to become more widespread."

Britain's share of world exports of manufactures increased slightly in the first quarter of this year due mainly to a sharp drop of exports from North America.

The review continued: "The increase in our own share was less than Japan's and Germany's but in line with the rest of the OEEC countries." —Reuter.

"Little More Than Hopeless Pawns" U.S. 'Mail Order' Baby Business Denounced

New York, July 31.

Social work agencies today denounced a "mail order baby business" involving the adoption of several thousand foreign children by Americans.

Some of the "proxy" adoptions have had "tragic consequences," they said, including the death of one child and the beating and abandonment of others.

Mr and Mrs Laurin P. Hyde, veteran social scientists, urged Congress to plug a "legal loophole" in the McCarran-Walter Immigration Law which, they said, helped boost the number of proxy adoptions.

Sponsored

Their 30-page study was sponsored by the Child Welfare League of America and the International Social Service, organizations concerned with adoption programmes. The agencies estimated more than 2,000 children have been adopted from overseas by proxy since the end of World War II.

The study covered 77 families who adopted 97 children by proxy. The adoptions had not succeeded or were "in question" in 29 families, they said.

The report cited evidence of brutality in some cases, including the death of one child. Most of the cases the Hydes studied involved youngsters from Korea, Japan and Germany, of racially-mixed parentage and under six years of age.

Legal Loophole

The legal loophole, they said, was in a recent immigration law amendment designed to enable couples living abroad temporarily to bring their adopted children to the United States.

STATUE BURIED IN GLACIER

Courmayeur, July 30.

An aluminum statue of the Virgin Mary which stood for 51 years on the 12,246-foot Glant's Tooth Peak of Mont Blanc has fallen 3,000 feet and buried itself in a glacier, two Alpine guides said here today.

One of the first to contribute to a fund to pay for a new statue was Giuseppe Brocherel, 94, the only guide left of those who hauled the original statue up the Glant's Tooth in 1904. —China Mail Special.

without awaiting a quota number. This provision, the study charged, has been used by some Americans to adopt children "without having seen them." No knowledge of their physical and mental development, and no information about their emotional and social needs.

"It is inconceivable that our government should permit proxy adoptions involving little children who are little more than helpless pawns," the Hydes said. —U.P.I.

75,000 Were Deported To Russia

Bonn, July 30.

Seventy-five thousand Hungarians were deported after the October 1956 uprising suppressed by the Soviet army, Dr Bela Fabian, a member of the Hungarian Government-in-exile in New York, said today.

Of these 12,000 aged persons were eventually allowed to return to their country.

Addressing a Press conference, Mr Fabian asked the Western world to intervene so that the USSR would at least free girls aged 12-18 who were deported to the Soviet Union and where they are imprisoned with ordinary criminals.

TO CHINA

Mr Fabian said that news of the 5,000 workers of the Czepek Steel Works in Budapest who were deported to the Soviet Union and then to China was brought back to Hungary by Russian soldiers who delivered letters to the families of the deportees.

Fabian said the son of László Rajk, Hungarian Foreign Minister executed in 1949, and the grandchildren of executed former Premier Imre Nagy were in Communist children's homes in Hungary under different names. —France-Press.

GIANT INSECT BALLOON

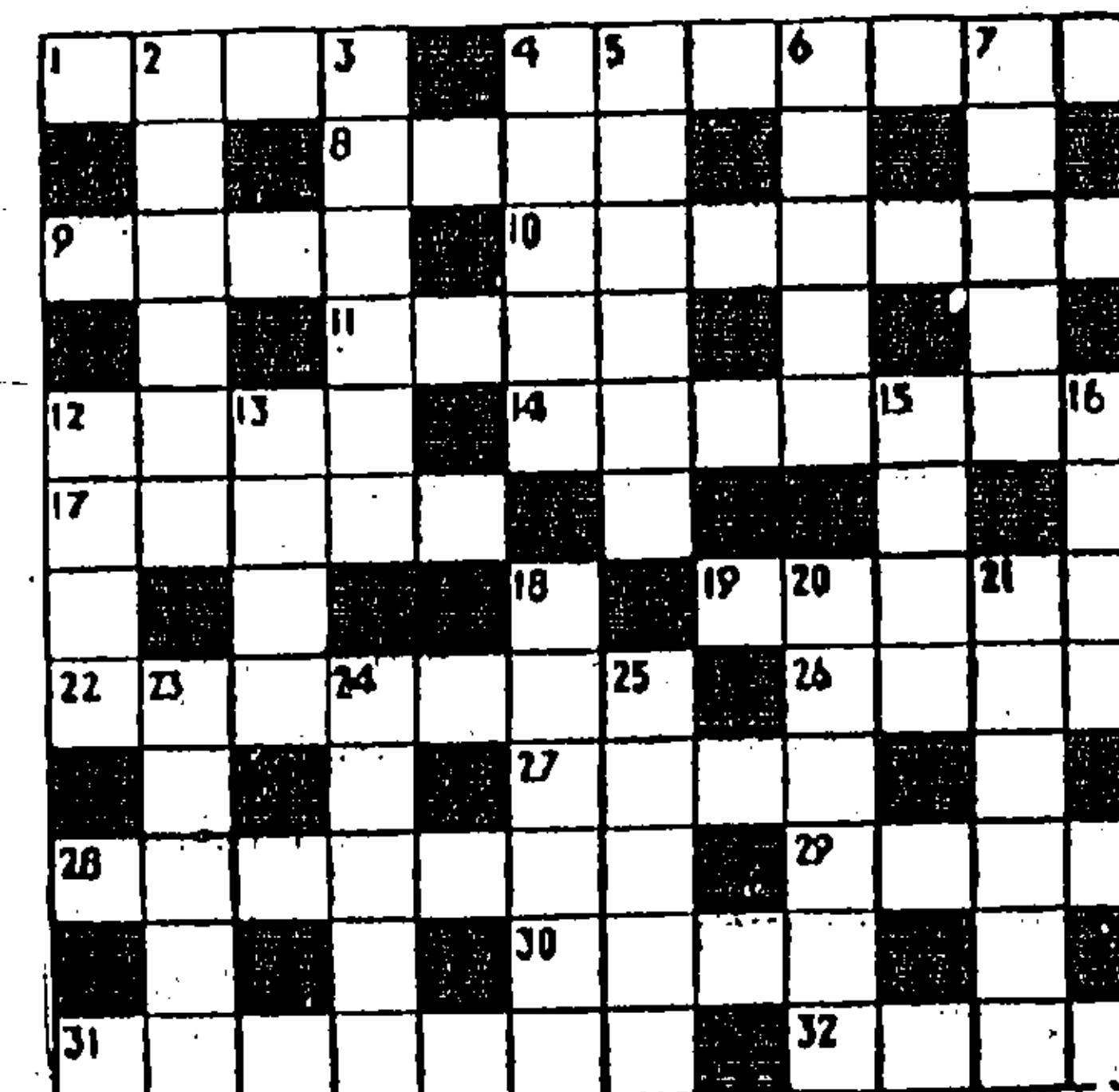
Crosby, July 30. A GIANT balloon, carrying thousands of insects for scientific research, exploded today at an altitude of 40,000 feet.

This biggest ever free flight balloon exploded. It is believed, because of violent winds, and freezing cold.

The immense bag made from thin polythene material had an air capacity of five million square feet. It was designed to rise to an altitude of 135,000 feet.

The previous record in free flight balloons was 135,000 square feet in air capacity. —France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Bittersweet? (4).
 - 4 Have a good look? (7).
 - 8 A hanging matter, maybe (4).
 - 9 Think about it (4).
 - 10 One name for a flower (7).
 - 11 Illuminating growth (4).
 - 12 Timber in Kent (4).
 - 14 Excursions, military probably (7).
 - 17 Tools are, if kept sharp (5).
 - 19 Gent's gent (6).
 - 22 What an editor often does (7).
 - 26 Where to keep among other things, lions (4).
 - 27 Small it may be, but of importance in making a pile (4).
 - 28 Keep apart (7).
 - 29 Religious figure (4).
 - 30 Radiate (4).
 - 31 Declare with great speed (7).
 - 32 It runs on runners (4).
- DOWN**
- 2 Happily occupied (6).
 - 3 Soprano equivalent (8).
 - 4 Gems (6).
 - 5 Famous admiral (5).
 - 6 Ant allus (5).
 - 7 Tenderloin (5).
 - 12 Expensive duck (4).
 - 13 Robin to go (4).
 - 15 Pointless way to spend one's time (4).
 - 16 Handed into groups (4).
 - 18 Those 487 (6).
 - 20 Makes an acknowledgment (6).
 - 21 Again, please (6).
 - 22 County (5).
 - 23 Does he line up his subjects? (5).
 - 25 Stalks (5).

WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Cobweb, 5 Cheese, 8 Tempo, 9 Spoons, 10 Elbow, 11 Atona, 12 Elch, 13 Arise, 16 Tation, 18 Feeder, 20 Cream, 22 Rise, 23 Sonny, 25 Astir, 26 Locate, 27 Easy, 28 Enase, 29 Robert, 30 Down, 31 Cosmetic, 2 Downscope, 3 Elmo, 4 Bessie, 5 Open air, 6 Bolero, 7 Spots, 14 Intimate, 15 Enamored, 16 Re-Morse, 17 Turpin, 18 Dealer, 21 Reck, 24 Yo-Yo.

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ROUND-UP

EX-SERGEANT MAJOR IS SMARTEST

EX-SERGEANT-MAJOR John (Chick) Grant is known as the smartest man on Stannmore council estate, Winchester. He never leaves his home without his spotless bowler, morning coat and wing collar. Mr Grant, 89, has a 14 inch curly moustache, grown when he was a 20-year-old soldier in the Rifle Brigade. "I grew it to please my Rose, the girl who had promised me her hand," he said. Mr Grant, with bowler, morning coat, wing collar, black trousers and umbrella, arrives each morning at 11.30 for two black plums at his "local," after a brisk half-mile walk. The old sergeant major tells his friends that it is these 2 plums that keeps his moustache curled. Squire landlord John Prier, of the White Horse Inn, St Cross, Winchester: "If John arrived a minute after the city clock struck half-past eleven, I'd say it was the clock that was wrong. John always pays for his two plums of bitter the moment he arrives—to save the wear on his pocket, he says. "He always leaves at precisely 12.20. Sometimes during those 50 minutes he gives us a couple of the good old songs."

"WAIF" SETTLED WITH POLICE

THE dog which refused to become the mascot of the Royal Army Medical Corps in which his master twice won the Victoria Cross, has died at the R.A.M.C. Depot, Crookham, "Waif," a fox terrier, was adopted by the depot in 1953 when his master, Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Martin-Leake, V.C. and bar, and a doctor at Ware, Hertfordshire, died. Lieutenant-Colonel Martin-Leake served in the R.A.M.C. in the Boer War and the First World War and won the V.C. in each campaign. Waif was attached to the depot when he first went to the depot and it was hoped that he would become the mascot. But he soon showed that he would wear no regimental coat nor be subservient to a sergeant-major. He used his teeth with vigour. So Waif was transferred to the depot police where he settled down happily.

DO-IT-YOURSELF BOAT BUILDERS

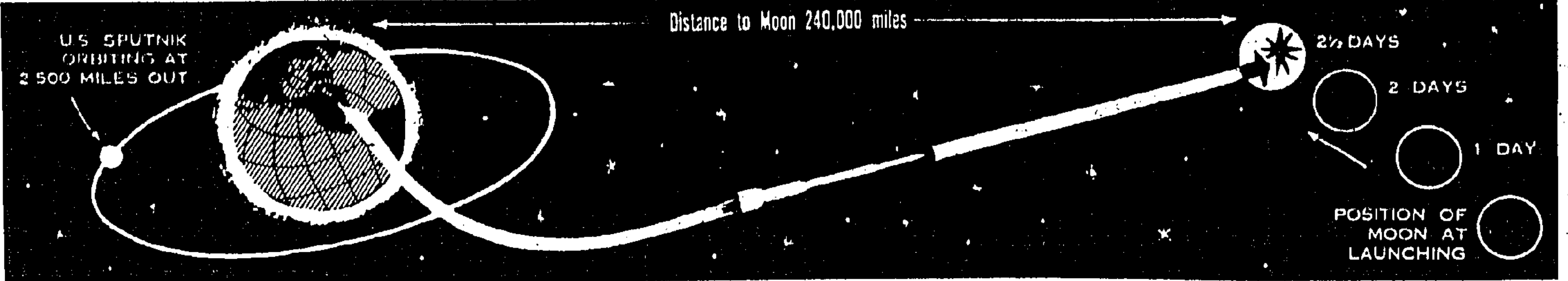
WITH more than 60 boats being built at four evening schools in London, Mr Fortune Fowler, chief instructor in boat building to the L.C.C., is planning to start an evening class yacht club. Proposed headquarters will be on the Thames at Putney, where the L.C.C. are now building a boathouse and slipway as part of their programme to encourage rowing among secondary modern school pupils. Three 19-foot cabin sailing boats are being built at Peckham Evening Institute. Other boats of various types are being made at Putney, Stepney and Kentish Town Institutes.

NEW COURSE FOR SEA CAPTAINS

Courses on modern methods of business, labour relations, leadership, public speaking and law may soon be introduced for British sea captains. The scheme is contemplated by the Honourable Company of Master Mariners, which is finding out the views of the captains before planning the series. The company feels that with British shipping facing intense competition the courses, already being run in other industries, may increase efficiency. Writing in the company's magazine, Captain W. D. Smith, a member of its technical committee, says that labour relations have altered radically at sea in the last 30 years. Captain Smith believes that both captains and management would benefit from a course on trade. Discussions on trade union organisation, national insurance and maritime legislation would also help captains.

MOBILE NAAFI SELF-SERVICE SHOP

THE first self-service travelling shop to be brought into use by NAAFI in Britain, is now operating in the Catterick Camp area. The new travelling shop, which serves some 650 Servicemen's families, will announce its arrival by a distinctive klaxon call. It carries about £500-worth of stock and has a deep-freeze container.



The Rocket Race To The Moon

By ANTHONY SMITH

MOON day, when the first shot at the earth's natural satellite will be made, is getting appreciably nearer. All the auguries are that something will happen soon, even if it is only an explosion on a launching pad.

Naturally the big questions are: when and by whom? Dates predicted by American sources are August 25 for the United States Air Force and "soon" for the Russians.

The latest open comes from Joseph Bank, Chichester, where a team of American scientists has arrived as part of "the close co-operation between Britain and the United States in the International Geophysical Year programme."

Prof. A. C. B. Lovell said yesterday it was planned to use the radio telescope in conjunction with American equipment "to assist various satellite projects. At present no information can be given about these projects until their planning, including the lunar probe, is more definite."

U.S. ATTEMPTS Five Planned

The United States Defence Department Space Agency has authorised five attempts at the moon, two by the Army and three by the Air Force. The Army will probably be using a three-stage rocket. First stage will be a Juno II (or modified Jupiter), the second will be three Sergeants (the solid fuelled and larger versions of the Corporal), and the third stage will be one Sergeant.

The Air Force's rocket will also be three-staged. The first two stages will be the same as the Thor-Able rocket with a

third, solid-propellant stage to overcome the earth's gravity. Nothing is known about the Russian configuration. Indications are it will be launched from the same sputnik launching spot 65 miles from Stalingrad.

FOUR-DAY TRIP

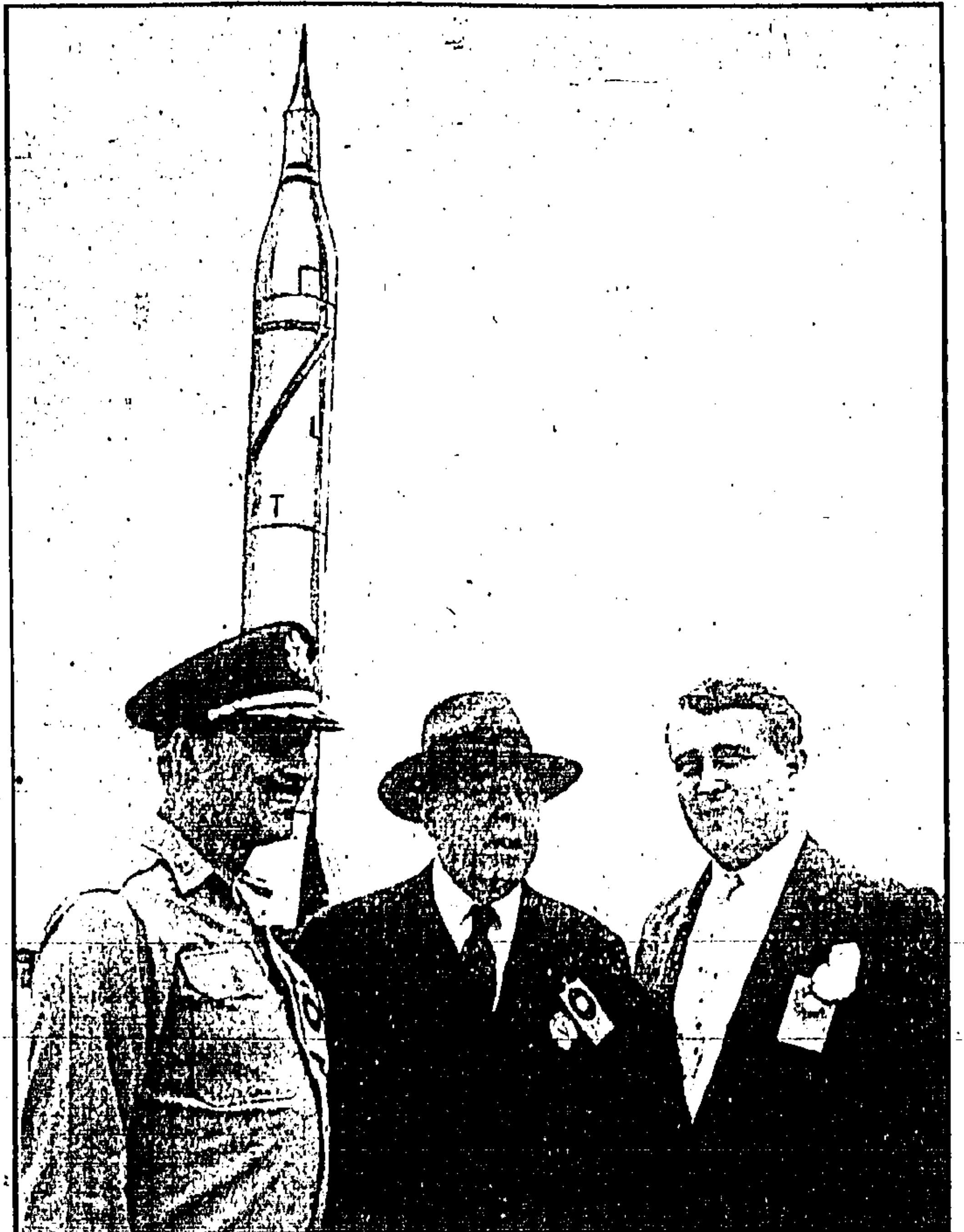
A Miss Likely

It is possible that a television camera will be carried in the first moon probe. If it takes a picture of the back of the moon, which is successfully transmitted to earth, it will be the first time anyone will see what the moon's other face is like.

The trip to the moon will take about 2 1/2 days. The initial escape velocity of 25,000 m.p.h., necessary to overcome the earth's gravity will drop off until, about 200,000 miles from earth, it is only a matter of a few hundred miles an hour. The moon will then exert a pull and the missile will speed up once more.

It is extremely improbable that the first shot will hit the moon. Chances are the missile will either miss or circle round it to come back in the direction of the earth—Daily Telegraph.

AT RIGHT: At Cape Canaveral recently, discussing the launching of the U.S. Army's earth satellite, Explorer III (poised atop the Jupiter C rocket in the background) are Major-General John Medaris, Chief of the U.S. Army Ballistic Missile Agency; Secretary of the Army Wilber Brucker, and Werner von Braun, German-born scientist who has played a big part in U.S. rocket-development.



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The Reluctant President

New York. **PRESIDENT** Dwight Eisenhower goes to what is described here as "one of the most portentous international conferences in history" with dragging feet, reluctant and unwilling.

The President knows he may have to go to the United Nations headquarters in New York to confer with Messrs Krushchev, Macmillan, Nehru, Hammarskjold, and possibly de Gaulle and Nasser, because there is now no other way out.

But if he read his newspapers in the White House (and Press Secretary James Hagerty said he did), then the gloom which has enveloped the President all the week must have deepened, and the fog over the Summit must have thickened.

Here was Mr Walter Lippman, the elder statesman among political commentators and a man who knows certainly as much about international affairs as Mr Eisenhower and his Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, writing:

Nightmares

"The Summit meeting in the heart of New York City has the characteristics of one of those nightmares in which one feels compelled to do what one desperately does not want to do. At this time a public consultation between Eisenhower and Krushchev will be a ghastly spectacle almost certain to poison the air still further with charges and counter-charges."

And a little later: "They [Mr Eisenhower and Mr Dulles] find themselves in this dilemma because they have no Middle East policy and have therefore lost the diplomatic initiative... We find ourselves in a Dead-end Street."

And Mr Arthur Krock, of the New York Times, almost as distinguished as Mr Lippman, writes: "The Government has been pushed and pulled into taking the reluctant step towards the Summit. The pulling was centrifugal, having been applied externally



Don Iddon's Diary

by the pressure of the British Labour Party on Prime Minister Macmillan and by worldwide public opinion.

"The Government of the United States at the moment is off balance, where Krushchev will keep it if he can."

The Wall Street Journal says, under the heading, "Reluctantly to the Summit": "A Washington report suggests that Mr Selwyn Lloyd almost demanded such a meeting. The United States, for all its past and for all it will talk of our leadership in the world, cannot afford to deny the desires of the other nations of the West."

"The fact is that, whatever else we may be, we are at this moment no longer master of our own foreign policy."

Mr Eisenhower does not read the Left-Wing New York Post—the brightest of America's evening papers. So he must have missed Professor Max Lerner's comment:

"The Eisenhower-Dulles team was saved from a fatally wrong decision at the eleventh hour by the plight and urgency of the Macmillan Government. Left to their own choice, President Eisenhower and Dulles would have made a catastrophic blunder by rejecting the Russian Summit proposals on the Middle East..."

"Obviously the Macmillan Government and the Tory Party could not have gone along with this American decision without committing suicide as a Government and as a party."

"The plight of their British allies swayed Dulles and the President where the logic of the international situation had been unable to sway them."

What the President thinks about the Press today, and what the Press thinks about him, will not be brought out at a news conference.

Since the President cancelled his last two Press conferences (and Mr Dulles cancelled his) the public's only glimpse of Mr Eisenhower was, when he made his telecast to the nation explaining the landing of American troops in Lebanon. He was serious, moving and utterly sincere.

I sometimes wonder if Mr Eisenhower's reluctance to attend a Summit conference has been due to worry about his health and a desperate gnawing doubt whether he is up to the rigours and strains of a face-to-face meeting with Mr Krushchev and the other world leaders.

In rags

He leans heavily on Mr Dulles, the "70-year-old architect of the American Middle East policy, now in rags and tatters."

And Mr Dulles himself only 20 months ago had a major operation and despite his extraordinary vigour is showing signs of wear and tear.

I have the strong impression that at the forthcoming meeting the President will also learn heavily on his friend Mr Harold Macmillan.

Throughout the crisis on the Western side Mr Macmillan and Mr Selwyn Lloyd have shown more imagination, drive, and ability to grasp the necessities of the changing situation than either Mr Eisenhower or Mr Dulles.

—an ambitious plan for peace and stability in the Middle East which could entail an accommodation with the new Powers of the Middle East, Russia, and Colonel Nasser's confederation.

Has the United States such a policy? What is American foreign policy now? The public are asking these questions, and hope the answers will be provided at the pinnacle conference in the Peace Tower on New York's East River.

The men at the Summit will, it is hoped, meet within the next two weeks and, after one public appearance before the television cameras, will probably retire to Mr Hammarskjold's 34th floor office to confer in private.

New York's big problem is security. Mr Krushchev is bound to be a target for violent demonstrations, and some New York police officials are fearful of worse.

In a frenzy

Walter Arm, Deputy Police Commissioner, said: "We are working on a plan that will make all past security precautions obsolete."

I live near the Russian United Nations headquarters just opposite the Hunter College for Girls. As I went to work it was ringed with mounted police and patrolmen, and the barricades were up.

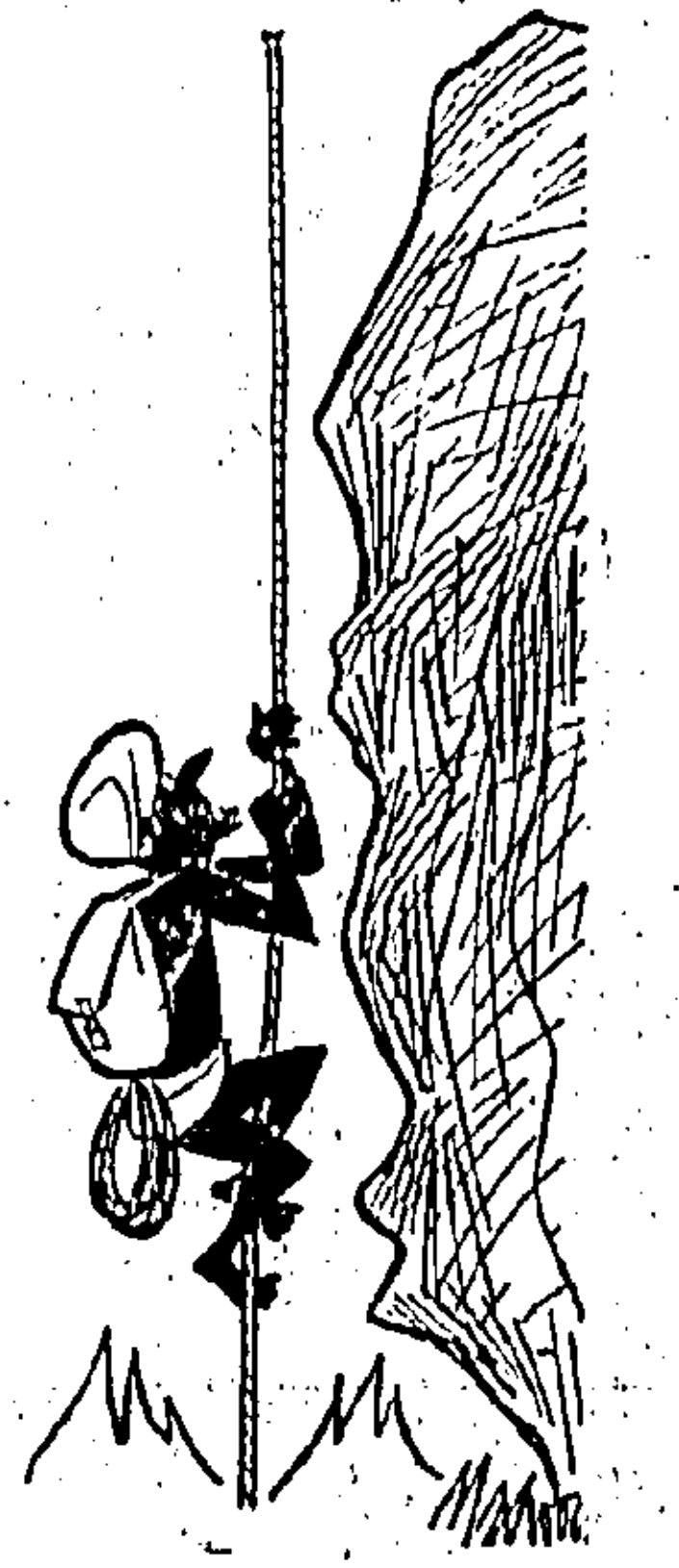
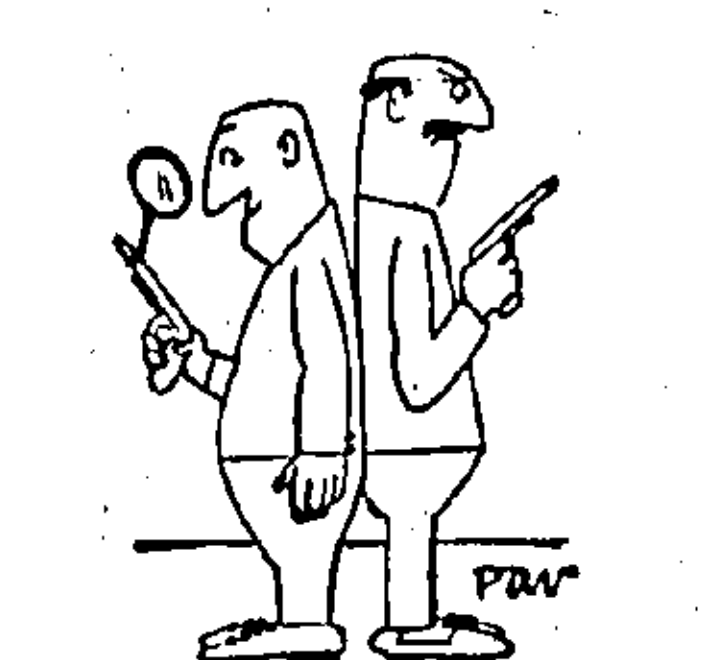
Just the other night I saw tens of thousands of Hungarians, some of them refugees, demonstrating outside the big mansion. Demonstrating is a mild word—they were about to charge the house if the cops had not blocked them.

A Hungarian priest, waving a red flag, screamed: "Down with Godless Russia. Down with atheist Russia. We will grind the Communists in the dust with God's good help."

Then in a frenzy of rage the priest tore the red flag to tatters, flung the pieces on the ground and stamped on them.

If President Nasser attends the conference, an elaborate guard will also be necessary for him. There are 3,000,000 Jews in New York City, and none of them likes Nasser.

ZANIES



'Sceptre' Takes Up The Challenge

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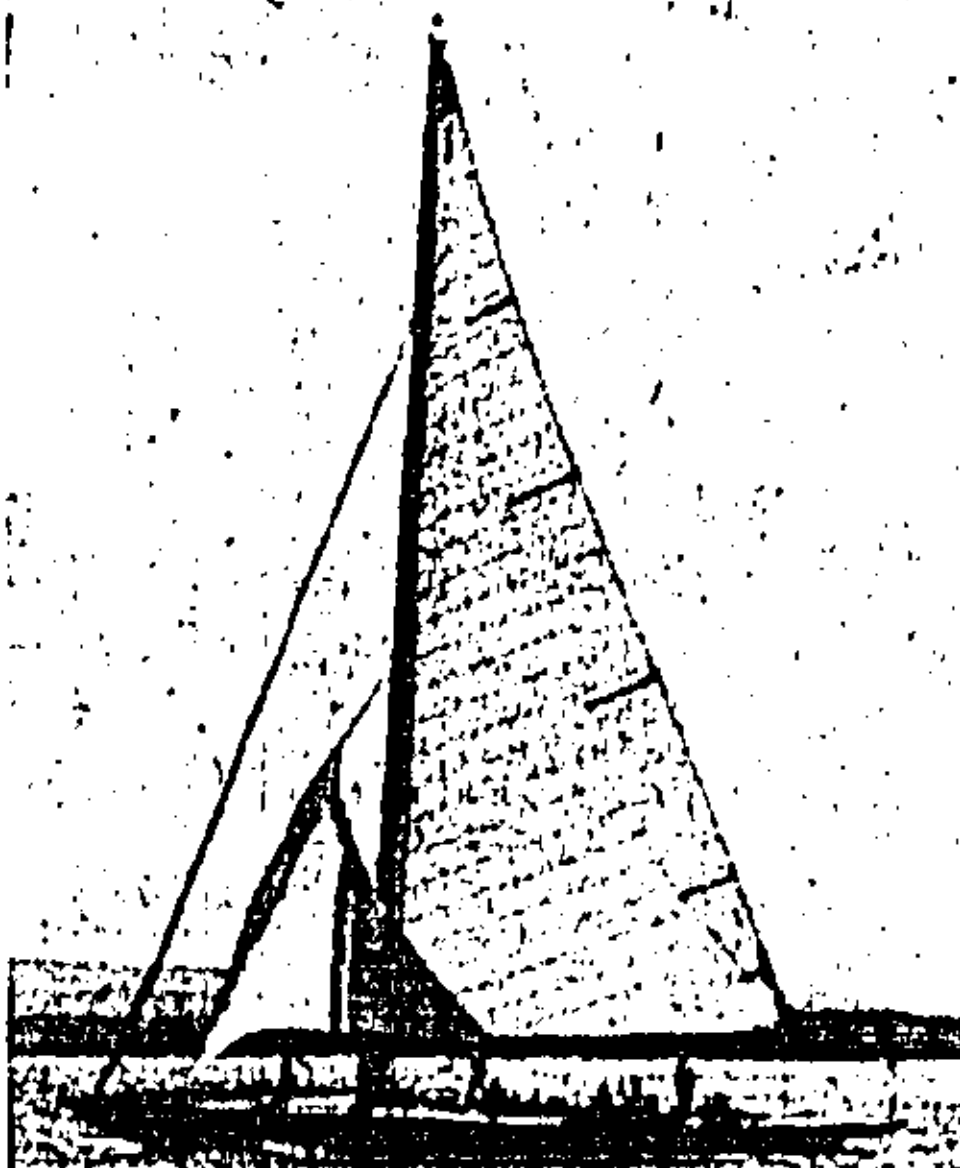


SKIPPER 'ARCH' BISHOP

Sure as a lily and swift as a gull, the white yacht swishes past the bulky ferry-boat and out to sea. National pride, quick to kindle even among those who have never heard of the Sceptre—raises a cheer.

"That's the best mainsail she's had on yet. The other one should be scrapped," observes the man who runs pleasure trips round the harbour.

Sceptre grips the wind, bowing and bending in the graceful saraband of a yacht undergoing its trials



Reporting from Poole

Bottle Of Whisky For KDC Lady Bowlers

The first seven in the ladies' first division lawn bowls league was registered yesterday by the Kowloon Dock Club four of Mrs. C. Coles, Mrs. S. Skeoch, Mrs. J. Campbell and Mrs. J. Banks.

Playing against the champion Craigen-gower four of Mrs. S. Silva, Mrs. I. Silva, Miss H. Kwong and Mrs. I. Souza, yesterday at the Valley, they were trailing behind by 4-9 at the end of the 7th head, but scored a seven on the eighth head and never looked back after that to win by 26-15.

Sceptre already a white flame on the horizon, grips the wind, bowing and bending in the graceful saraband of a yacht undergoing its trials.

"Can't be a secret one, that one, or they'd take it right out to sea," the pleasure trip boatman said as the sun lit the huge white sail and the alloy mast gave off a sharp, clear flash.

"They put up some sails the other day they wouldn't let them photograph. Looks as though we're being crafty for once," added the boatman. For him Sceptre is a white sea-queen.

Scripture, for all that sea-going grocer, Sir Thomas Lipton, would scoff, is taking up where the great challenges left off in 1937. It had ranked the salty pride of the Royal Yacht Squadron ("the world's senior yacht club") for long enough that Britain had never, never, won back a certain cup from America for 107 years.

"To make the old salt even more sponetic it had originally been named after Queen Victoria and had been borne away to America, having been fairly won, and renamed the America's Cup."

'Old Mug'

There, in the New York Yacht Club, it stands today, £100 (original cost) of Victorian fancyware. And millions of English pounds have been lost trying to redeem it.

"They call it the 'Old Mug,'" says a useful Royal Yacht Squadron member who has stood the test to national dignity of being a guest of the New York Yacht Club and was shown the cup. "Well, a polished but definitely an unhappy captive."

Origin

Originally a race for the wealthy wonders of Edwardian opulence, the J-class yacht, the Americans, accommodatingly changed the deed of gift, to make it a race between 12-metre size yachts, about half the size of the first contestants.

"We saw the thing was possible again," said Captain John Illingworth, technical adviser to Sceptre, who has just returned from the Bermuda race, having brought Britain nearer to

winning (third) than in the race's history.

A challenge was issued. The Royal Yacht Squadron formed a syndicate to commission and crew a yacht to win back the America's Cup.

The Americans, unnerved, we hope, promptly commissioned no fewer than three new 12-metre yachts to meet this challenge from the Britons. They agreed to race on September 20 off Newport, Rhode Island.

They had also another 12-metre yacht "in hand," making four swift lean American furies to meet Britain's one white hope.

The Reason

But you get no sense of being outnumbered when the crew of Sceptre, notably manhandles Sceptre's vast wardrobe of sails on to the jetties of the Royal Motor Yacht Club at Sandbanks, Dorset.

"Garn, you sons of the sea," bows the fit-faced skipper, Stan Bishop, as they dump the Sceptre's choice of five mainsails up the ladder.

"That's why we call him 'Arch' Bishop," observes a member of the white boiler-sulled crew as the skipper's threats take a terrifying turn. "There is still something of a gentleman and players atmosphere to this expensive (£70,000) form of yachting. And Captain Bishop is the 'paid' or

"professional" skipper. The helmsman (the "gentleman" as it were) could not be better connected. He is 34-year-old Lieutenant-Commander Graham Mann, who sailed Prince Philip's Bluebird for two seasons.

The son of the Sceptre's designer David Boyd, is one of the crew of nine who include two naval officers and two leading seamen.

Sceptre, a silver of white, now lies alongside the comfortable, grey untormented lines of Mr. Billy Cotton's motor launch, Wakey-wakey. At 7.15 in the morning the crew will be aboard "polishing the brightwork, repairing yesterday's damage," and then out to sea she goes until five or six in the evening.

"Well out to sea—we've got lots of secrets," says Skipper Bishop.

HEAVIEST DEFEAT

Wellington, July 30. The French Rugby Union team met the heaviest defeat of their South African tour here today, losing 38-9 to a combined Western Province, Boland and South-Western Districts XV. The combined side led 22-3 at half-time.—Reuter.

Mike Hawthorn Likely To Be First British World Champion Driver

STRONG CHALLENGE FROM STIRLING MOSS

By DEREK JOHN

The odds are on 28-year-old blond Mike Hawthorn to become the next world champion racing driver. In any case, the title will go to a Briton for the first time.

With only four more Grand Prix events to go Hawthorn and Vanwall team-leader Stirling Moss are close rivals to succeed Juan Fangio as the greatest driver of them all.

I back Hawthorn because he has hit top form this season and because he is driving what appears to be the more reliable car

the British Grand Prix, and the Monaco Grand Prix. He holds the lap record at major circuits all over the world.

Grand Prix in Italy in record time.

Could Upset

Last year, he became the first British driver to win the Grand Prix of Europe in a British car—the Vanwall. And with the same car he won the Pescara

Incidentally, Britain's Peter Collins, another Ferrari driver, is lying third in the Championship to date and could easily upset the forecast.

Technical Difficulties

The Vanwall experts had to race against time to get their cars ready, and they ran into many difficulties. Their technical troubles have still not been completely overcome.

Many enthusiasts will argue that 28-year-old Stirling Moss is second only to Fangio in driving skill and that he can still overhaul Hawthorn—seven points in



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BRITISH YACHTING VICTORY

London, July 30. Britain today recaptured the Coupe Etienne Galay, the annual race for Dragon, class yachts, from France.

The British team won its third victory at Bembridge, Isle of Wight, and showed themselves clearly superior to the French entries.

Two French yachts, Waghoera and Morgane, were forced to withdraw because of technical difficulties. During the last six miles the three British yachts had a clear lead over Kim, the last French survivor.

The wind, blowing up from the southwest, was rather strong.

Results were:

1. Salamander (Britain) 6 points.
2. Penguin (Britain) 8 points.
3. Tania (Britain) 7 points.
4. Kim (France) 6 points.—France-Press.

Test Match Attendance

Old Trafford, July 30. Only 38,000 people who paid £10,662 saw the fourth Test between England and New Zealand, concluded at Old Trafford, Manchester yesterday. Rain seriously interfered with play on two days.—France-Press.

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UNOFFICIAL AMBASSADORS NEEDED

Claude Burgess's Address To Hongkong Jaycees 'NEVER IN GREATER NEED'

Hongkong, as a meeting place for the trade and intercourse of many nations, needs unofficial ambassadors overseas to state its case and explain its predicament, the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Claude Burgess, said today. Speaking at the monthly luncheon of the Hongkong Junior Chamber of Commerce, Mr Burgess said that the Colony, which had always depended upon freedom of overseas trade for its prosperity, was never in greater need of the sympathetic understanding and support of the world at large than today, with its bewildering economic changes.

"Hongkong is a city-state, but it is a remote, isolated and dependent city-state and its foreign relations are not in its own hands. It is not always easy to get that sympathetic understanding and support—particularly at these times and in just those places at which we need it most," he said.

Foremost Ranks

"We must therefore rely to a large extent on unofficial ambassadors without accreditation, immunity of cooked-hats. If our case is to be stated and our predicament understood... You can all be proud to know that the Hongkong Junior Chamber of Commerce stands today in the foremost ranks of the Colony's unofficial ambassadors overseas."

Wide Influence

"I have for some time been attracted and impressed by the remarkable speed and assurance with which the Hongkong Junior Chamber of Commerce has established itself in the fertile earth of our community... I say fertile, because we certainly do not lack associations and societies devoted to community welfare in one form or another," he said.

"One thinks of the really old-established institutions—the Tung Wah Hospital or Po Leung Kuk, for example. They are like those Banyan Trees in Nathan Road and elsewhere with traditions reaching right back into the Colony's early days, as firmly rooted, as beneficent in their grandeur as ever, though everything around them has changed."

"But the Jaycee movement reminds me of a particular Pampas tree which I grew from seed in prison camp. In eighteen short months (short in one sense and long in another) it provided the two lifts of every tree of its kind—food to eat and shade from the sun—and to me it was worth all other trees in the world put together."

True Spirit

"The one common denominator is Youth. Your membership comprehends the most impressive segment of the human life-span. It is an entirely practical conception."

"At one end it excludes the more precious manifestations of the Sacred Days; and at the other

it rejects into the autumnal darkness of associate membership those grey-beards of two score years who while their advice may at times merit contemplation, are no longer capable of bearing the heat and burden of the Jaycee day."

"Hongkong is a cosmopolitan place—but it is also a noticeably precarious one. Some of us do not, I am afraid, reach out very far beyond our immediate circle of acquaintances, our own little flock. That in itself is ill-advised."

"Our own circle, our own flock, tends very naturally to be constituted of people like ourselves—moving with a common purpose within very limited pastures. But the real value in friendship, in community life, in human understanding comes from association with people who are not like ourselves."

Over-Production

"The Jaycee Movement has, I think, encouraged and entered upon these extra-mural benefits in two ways: first, as I have already suggested, it is international within Hongkong, and second it is international in an altogether wider sense."

"Certainly, with Hongkong's own pressing social problems before you, caused very largely by the stifling pressure of over-population, you might have been forgiven if you had regarded the wider Jaycee Movement solely as a vehicle for focusing the attention of other countries on our own particular needs and difficulties in Hongkong."

"But wisely, if I may say so, you have avoided this parochial attitude, and it is a real source of pleasure to me to think that since 1954, when the Chamber was founded, you have been able to act as host on two occasions to the Asian Regional Conference, to supply a number of vice-presidents in the Junior Chamber International, and, as the culmination of your first efforts in the international sphere, to see in 1957 one of your own members, Mr Sales, become President of the Junior Chamber International itself."

"This, I have no doubt, good experience for Mr Sales, but it was also good for Hongkong Jaycees—and good for Hongkong itself."

"Knowing that you are all such gluttons for work, I was not surprised when your President told me that you would also like to have some suggestions about fresh lines of activity which you could pursue with your expanded membership."

"Here are two simple suggestions—suggestions which not only lie in with your existing projects, but which would also be of particular value to Government in its social welfare work."

"The first is the sponsorship of a series of original, illustrated children's books in Chinese and about Hongkong itself—about its learning and fishing communities, and in simple terms about the many industries which make up our economy."

"If you are attracted by this project, which would be a useful complement to the organisation of your Children's Libraries, I can assure you of the practical support and advice of the Director of Social Welfare and any other Government officers whom you may wish to consult."

Handicapped People

"The other new scheme in the welfare field which you might wish to consider, and which has an obvious forerunner in your very successful Mobile Library, is the provision of a suitable motor vehicle which could be used by welfare organisations for the transport on outings of handicapped people."

"This is likely to be more expensive than the production of children's books, since the vehicle will have to be specially adapted, for example for use by cripples."

"But I can assure you most sincerely that this would be a really practical way in which you could help organisations, such as the Boy Scouts Association, to bring a little excitement, colour and fresh air (with which this Colony is so richly provided) into the dreary every day life of the blind, the deaf, and the mentally defective, all of whom are, by the very nature of their disabilities, all too easily forgotten in the pressures of our busy life of this busy community."

Thefts From Vehicles

A ladies' handbag, containing cash, was stolen from a private car parked in Canton Road at about 8.50 p.m. yesterday. In the morning, 24 bottles of mineral water were stolen from a lorry in Johnston Road, Wanchoi.

A man has been arrested following enquiries into the theft of a tray containing aerated water from a lorry parked in Nam Kok Road, near its junction with Carpenter Road, Kowloon City.

NEW SHIPPING ORDER

Not Likely To Benefit Hongkong

By a China Mail Reporter

The relaxation of the sale of British ships to China which was announced by the Minister of Transport in London this morning, is not likely to affect Hongkong a great deal, according to shipping firms in Hongkong.

Mr E. F. de Lusala, manager of John Manners and Co., said this morning he believed the relaxation came as a result of the present strong position of Sterling. He added that he did not think this move would have any great effect on Hongkong.

One shipping company manager said that the cable was not very clear. He said the way the cable was worded, it could mean anything. He referred to the phrase, "with certain exceptions," and "certain categories."

Something New

Another firm manager said it sounds as though general cargo ships can be sold to China, which was something new. But he added that it depended on the interpretation of this cable by the Marine Department.

Mr Pang Kok-sui, Managing Director of George Grimble and Co., said, "China has never bought a British ship under her own registry, or had the approval of the Ministry of Transport for the transfer or mortgage of a British ship—then an application has at all been made."

He added, "In my opinion, it seems that the Ministry of Transport have no objection to the sale of certain British ships to China."

The following is the text of the cable:

The Cable

The British Government today (July 30) announced the removal of restrictions on the sale of certain British ships abroad.

Mr Harold Watkinson, Minister of Transport, said in future he would give a general sanction to the sale of British ships abroad, with certain exceptions, the free transfer or mortgage of ships to all countries abroad.

The exceptions relate to the sale of certain categories of ships to countries in the Soviet bloc and China, and also to the sale of former naval craft to any foreign country, he said.

Hitherto the Minister's approval has been required for all transfers or mortgages of British and Colonial ships abroad.

Mr Watkinson said he had also decided to discontinue the procedure by which the sale of ships abroad for scrap was allowed only if the British Iron and Steel Corporation (Salvage) Limited was not prepared to match the foreign price.—Reuter.

WRIST WATCHES STOLEN

A wrist watch, valued at \$120, was snatched from a Chinese woman pedestrian in Argyle Street, near Nathan Road, at about 9 o'clock last night. A wrist watch was also stolen from another woman walking in Elgin Street, near Hatten Street, at about 4 p.m.

At about 11.45 a.m. yesterday, a man was arrested for the theft of a gold bracelet, valued at \$150, from a woman walking in Shek Kip Mei Street, near Fuk Wah Street. A purse, containing cash, was stolen from a woman in Junction Road at about 11.30 p.m. yesterday.

CHINA MAIL SURVEY SHOWS:

Filter-Tip Cigarettes Becoming Popular

But Not Nearly As Many Sold As In Europe

by Andrew Sloan

There is a trend in Hongkong toward the filter-tip cigarettes, according to a number of importers. However, the executives of the tobacco business still hold that the local population are not unduly worried about the cancer scare at present sweeping America and other parts of the world.

Cigarette-smokers in America are gradually turning to filter tips which now represent something like 40 to 50 per cent of the market.

The filter-tip percentage of the Hongkong market nowhere near resembles that figure. Some of the importers and manufacturers I contacted this morning place the figure at 10 per cent, others slightly lower.

Nearly Double

An American importer reported this morning that the sales of one of the filter-tip brands he supplies had nearly doubled in the two years it had been on the Hongkong market. The same businessman says, "Filters are coming up strongly. It looks like there is a trend towards filters." He added that the Chinese smokers were aware of the cancer scare, but were not worried to a great degree.

Another importer said that in the eight months his brand had been on the Hongkong market sales had been "rather steady." He believes "Europeans are gradually switching over to filter-cigarettes, but as they constitute such a small part of the community this has little bearing on sales figures."

"The cancer scare has not affected the Chinese as much as it has affected the Americans," he said, adding that there was still a "very wide gap" between sales of filter and non-filter cigarettes.

The British American Tobacco Company, who import large quantities of cigarettes said this morning that the sales of filter-tips have certainly gone up over the last two years, from something like three per cent of the local market, to nine per cent. A spokesman of the company

said, "Sales of filter tip cigarettes do not represent more than nine or 10 per cent of the market."

He added, "In America the sale of filters has gone up tremendously and represents more than 40 per cent of market sales, and as much as 60 per cent in Europe."

"Hongkong is certainly not as filter-minded as those countries," he said.

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